

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize marriage as one of the cornerstones of a healthy and vibrant society; and

**Whereas**, the members feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize Missouri couples who have enjoyed the benefits marriage offers; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Lt. Col. Tommy Thornton (Ret.) and Dixie Thornton, of Maysville, Missouri, who will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Saturday, August 18, 2007, at the Maysville First Baptist Church, surrounded by family and friends; and

**Whereas**, Lt. Col. Tommy and Dixie Thornton are active members of the Maysville First Baptist Church and have raised black angus cattle in the area for the past twenty-eight years, following Mr. Thornton's career in the United States Army; and

**Whereas**, Lt. Col. Tommy Thornton served in the military for twenty-one years and retired in 1980, after living in six states and twice in Germany, and serving two tours of duty as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam; and

**Whereas**, Lt. Col. Tommy and Dixie Thornton have been blessed with a wonderful family, which includes their son, Philip Thornton, and his wife, Karen, and their daughter, Janeese (deceased), and her husband, Daniel Pate; and their three grandchildren, Lydia, Adam, and Andy:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest congratulations to Lt. Col. Tommy and Dixie Thornton on the illustrious occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and to wish them many more happy years together; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lt. Col. Tommy and Dixie Thornton, of Maysville, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative James O. Guest  
District No. 5

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker